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## [Navy Medicine discusses new Medical Career Opportunity for Enlisted Sailors](#)

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*Following the Navy's recent announcement about the new Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program (EMDP2), the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery (BUMED) public affairs office met with Lt. Cmdr. Jami Peterson, EMDP2 selection board president, to find out more information about the new program available to enlisted Sailors.*

#### **Q: What is EMDP2?**

A: [EMDP2](#) is a medical school preparatory program that provides an opportunity for academically-promising enlisted service members in order to make them competitive medical school applicants.

**Q: How long is the program and where is it located?**

A: This two-year program will take place in the D.C. metro area. Students will spend a year of their studies at [Uniformed Services University of Health Science \(USUHS\)](#) in Bethesda, Maryland and the following year they will complete their Undergraduate Medical Certificate at [George Mason University](#) in Fairfax, Virginia.

**Q: What is the selection board process?**

A: The selection process is a collaborative approach between BUMED and USUHS. Applications are vetted through a Navy and Marine Corps candidate selection board at BUMED, during which time each packet and applicant is carefully reviewed. After this review, the BUMED EMDP2 candidate selection board recommends the top candidates to USUHS, which ultimately determines who is accepted for the program. The board will meet once a year in late fall, and selections will be made by December.

**Q: Who is eligible for this program?**

A: The program is open to all enlisted rates. As long as a Sailor meets the application requirements, they are eligible to apply for the program. Commissioned officers however, are not eligible for the program; the opportunity is open only to enlisted Sailors.

**Q: How many applicants will be accepted?**

A: Each branch, Navy included, has allotted five slots for enlisted service members

**Q: Is there a specific degree required?**

A: Though there is no specific type of degree required, all applicants must have a bachelor's degree for consideration. Those with an international bachelor's degree will only be considered if they also have a master's degree from the United States or Canada.

**Q: Which instruction governs the program?**

A: The instruction for the Navy EMDP2 program is [NAVADMIN 174/15](#)

**Q: Will applicants be commissioned once selected or during the program? Are applicants guaranteed acceptance to medical school?**

A: Commission is not guaranteed upon completion of this program, nor is acceptance to medical school; it's solely a preparatory program for that reason.

**Q: Where do I send my selection board packet?**

A: All packages must be postmarked and sent no later than November 1, 2015 for consideration. Please mail applications to:

Bureau of Medicine and Surgery

Office of the Chief Medical Corps M00C1

## Career Plans Officer ICO EMDP2

7700 Arlington Blvd

Arlington VA 22042-5113

**Enlisted to Medical Degree Preparatory Program**

EMDP2 is a unique program provided by Navy Medicine that provides enlisted Sailors the opportunity to pursue a medical degree.

Five applicants being accepted

2 Year program

Located in the Washington D.C. metro area

**Who is eligible?**  
All enlisted Sailors with a bachelor's degree are eligible.

**Where do I send my application?**  
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